REPORTS OF THE PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE

SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY (Puducherry): Sir, I lay on the Table a copy each (in English and Hindi) of the following Reports of the Public Accounts Committee (2007-2008):-

(i) Forty-eighth Report on Functioning of Employees State Insurance Corporation (ESIC); and

(ii) Fifty-sixth Report on Action Taken on the Thirtieth Report of the Public Accounts Committee on Non- recovery of Guarantee Fee from Air India and Indian Airlines.

...(Interruptions)...

REPORT OF THE STUDY TOUR OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE WELFARE OF SCHEDULED CASTES AND SCHEDULED TRIBES

SHRI SHARAD ANANTRAO JOSHI (Maharashtra): Sir, I lay on the Table a copy (in English and Hindi) of the Report of the Study Tour of the Committee on the Welfare of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes on their visit to Ahmedabad, Jamnagar, Mumbai and Goa during January, 2007.

...(Interruptians)...

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

MR. CHAIRMAN: I have to inform Members that a letter has been received from Shri Urkhao Gwra Brahma, M.P., stating that he will not be able to attend the House due to illness of his wife and mother. He has, therefore, requested for grant of Leave of Absence from 20th August, till the end of the current session of Rajya Sabha.

Does he have the permission of the House for remaining absent from 20th August till the end of the current session of Rajya Sabha?

(No. hon. Member dissented)

MR. CHAIRMAN: Permission to remain absent is granted.

...(Interruptions)...

MOTION FOR ELECTION TO THE CENTRAL ADVISORY BOARD OF ARCHAEOLOGY (CABA)

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM AND MINISTER OF CULTURE (SHRIMATI AMBIKA SONI): Sir, I move the following motion:

"That in pursuance of the provisions in paragraph-XVIII of the Government of India (Archaeological Survey of India) Resolution No.9/4/2004-EE(CABA), dated the 28th April, 2005, this House do proceed to elect, in such manner as the Chairman may direct, one Member from among the Members of the House, to be a Member of the Central Advisory Board of Archaeology (CABA)."

The question was put and the motion was adopted.

STATEMENT BY MINISTER

Status of Implementation of Recommendations Contained in The Forty-Third and Forty-Fifth Reports of The Department-Related Parliamentary Standing Committee on Finance

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI PAWAN KUMAR BANSAL): Sir, I beg to lay a statement on the status of implementation of recommendations contained in the Forty-third and Forty-fifth Reports of the Department-Related Parliamentary Standing Committee on Finance.

...(Interruptions)...

MR. CHAIRMAN: The House is adjourned till 2.00 P.M.

The House then adjourned at eighteen minutes past twelve of the clock.

The House reassembled after lunch at two of the clock, MR. DEPUTY CHAIRMAN in the Chair.

Re. Comments made by the Indian Ambassador in U.S.A.

MR. DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: Special Mentions. Shri Lalit Kishore Chaturvedi. *...(Interruptions)...*

SHRI M. VENKAIAH NAIDU (Karnataka): Sir, In the Lok Sabha, the Chair has made a comment. We want the same thing here. *...(Interruptions)...*

SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY (Puducherry): Mr. Deputy Chairman, Sir, that issue has already been*...(Interruptions)...* Why are they raising the same issue again? *...(Interruptions)...*

MR. DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: Mr. Narayanasamy, please sit down. Please take your seat. *...(Interruptions)...*

SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY: Sir, why are you not telling the same thing to them also? *...(Interruptions)...*

SHRI M. VENKAIAH NAIDU: Please take note of those comments and make some observation from the Chair. *...(Interruptions)...*